

Which was read and referred to Mr. Johnson, Mr. J. Wilmer and Mr. Lloyd, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, ORDERED, That the bill to continue an act for the more effectual punishment of criminals, and the act to continue and amend the said act, have a second reading on to-morrow morning.

On motion, ORDERED, That the second reading of the bill for the encouragement of manufactories in this state, be postponed until Friday next.

Mr. J. Thomas and Mr. Kerr have leave of absence.

On the second reading the report on the petition of Duncan Shipley, RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this house, that an interference of the legislature in this case is improper.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T U E S D A Y, December 3, 1793.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. J. Thomas and Mr. Kerr. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

A memorial from Margaret Cornish, a free negro, stating, that she is confined in the gaol of Talbot county for debt, and praying to be released, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Johnson, Mr. J. Wilmer and Mr. Lloyd, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Francis De Block, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. J. Worthington, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Talbot Shipley, of Anne-Arundel county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and believe the facts therein stated to be true, and are of opinion that a law ought to pass agreeably to the prayer of said petition. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. W. KING, clk.

Which was read.

The bill to continue an act for the more effectual punishment of criminals, and the act to continue and amend the said act, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Kilgour, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messrs	J. Wilmer,	Ridgely,	Waggaman,	Whittington,	Prall,
	Lloyd,	T. Worthington,	R. Bond,	Dennis,	Montgomery,
	Harwood,	Howard,	Ward,	Houlton,	Lockerman,
	J. Worthington,	Cox,	Quynn,	Pernell,	M'Mechen,
	Ridout,	Jones,	Duvall,	Beatty,	Swearingen,
	Freeland,	Denwood,	O'Bryon,	Bayly,	Van Lear,
N E G A T I V E.					
Messrs	Ridgely, of Wm.	Daffin,	Seney,	Jamison,	
	Ford,	Mackall,	Digges,	Goldborough,	Fwing,
	Kilgour,	Brooke,	Hayward,	Gordon,	Sprigg,
Messrs	Tilghman,	M'Pherson,			
					Douglafs,
					Johnson.
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So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, An act to define and ascertain the powers of the governor on the subject therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, December 2, 1793: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

W. PERRY, jun. clk.

"By the senate, December 3, 1793: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

W. PERRY, jun. clk."

And a resolution approving of the proclamation of the governor to guard against the malignant and contagious fever raging in Philadelphia, endorsed; "By the senate, December 3, 1793: Read the first and second time by especial order and assented to.

"By order,

W. PERRY, jun. clk."

The house took into consideration the order of the day respecting the petition exhibited by Edward Dorsey, son of Caleb, against William Whetcroft, and after making some progress therein, referred the same for further consideration until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

Mr. Sprigg, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petitions of sundry persons praying acts of insolvency in their favour, have taken the same into consideration, and find that John Parks, Englehart Cruse, Abraham G. Hammond, Francis Cracroft and Leonard Swingle, of Baltimore county; Jacob Hall, Joseph West Phummer, William Beckwith, of Frederick county; James Glanville and Spencer Beedle, of Kent county; Randolph Johnson, of Dorchester county; James Porter, of Cecil county; and Samuel Chew, of Anne-Arundel county, have given due notice of their several intentions to apply to the legislature for acts of insolvency; the committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the said petitioners ought to be granted.

The committee beg leave further to report, that Andrew Floyd, William Lowrey, William B. Micks, of Baltimore county; Joshua Dorsey, of Henry, of Anne-Arundel county; Naylor Harvin, Philemon Burgess, John Holmead, of Montgomery county; Nicholas Boone, of Prince-George's county; and William Weatherall, of Harford county, have given notice of their intended applica-